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Communiqué de presse

Colombes, August 28th 2008

Appointments at Arkema

Effective September 1st 2008, Frédéric MAROT-ACHILLAS, currently Managing Director of the PVC Business Unit, is being appointed Managing Director of the Technical Polymers Business Unit. On the same date, Bertrand JAUSSEME will be joining Arkema as Managing Director of the PVC Business Unit.

48 year old Frédéric MAROT-ACHILLAS is a graduate of ESCP (Ecole Supérieure de Commerce de Paris). He worked for over 20 years for Saint-Gobain, where he held a number of functions in strategy, marketing, sales, and in charge of profit centers. Frédéric Marot-Achillas joined Arkema in April 2007 and had been Managing Director of the PVC Business Unit since then.

44 year old Bertrand JAUSSEME is a graduate of the Ecole des Mines de Nancy. He has spent his entire career within the Total group, holding a number of technical and sales functions in refining and petrochemicals. He had been based in Seoul, South Korea, since August 2003, as Samsung Total Petrochemicals' Senior Vice President for Purchasing, Marketing and Sales.

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Communiqué de presse

Colombes, August 18th 2008

Fire on our Lavera plant

On Monday August 18th around 1.45 p.m, a small explosion on an electrolysis cell of one of our three chlorine units (which produce chlorine, hydrogen and caustic soda) of our Lavera plant started a fire.

The urgency plan was launched. The plant operators immediately shut down the unit.

The fire spreaded out to adjacent plastic equipments and black smoke could be observed. There was no other impact on environment.

The fire was extinguished in less than twenty minutes and was stopped at 2.10 p.m.

One of our operator was sligthly intoxicated by the smoke and put in observation by precaution. He was back on duty two hours later.

Authorities were informed and an internal inquiry is ongoing to determine the exact circumstances of the incident.

Consequences of the fire are limited to the concerned unit and the rest of the plant is running normally.

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